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Player profile . . .

CYRILLE TIPS STEVE



Cyrille Regis made a goal and scored his first of the season proper in a fine individual all-round performance in last week's reserve match, but then extolled the virtues of his younger strike partner Steve Livingstone.

The England striker is fighting hard to regain his first team place but said: "I am being realistic when I say that maybe from the club's point of view and Steve's point of view perhaps the time is right to push him in to see how he goes."

Don't think for one moment that Cyrille has thrown in the towel. "Far from it." he asserts. "I am disappointed to lose my first team place, but I am a professional footballer. I am training hard and working hard in the reserves to try to win it back."

But he is philosophical. "I am realistic enough to know that at 32 I am in a transition period in my career. For the first time since I became a professional footballer 13 years ago I am not a first team regular."

"That doesn't mean I am going to slap in a transfer request. If I was 25-26 my reaction might be different. But I realised the stage I have reached. I am still involved with the first team at times and I am doing my best in training and reserve games.

"I would love to be back in the first team and I would do my best if I went back in. It's the boss' decision but realistically, from the club's angle and from Steve's, maybe it's the right time to give him a no."

The Regis-Livingstone pairing looked impressive last week against Huddersfield. Cyrille's incisive pass created the space for Dougie McGuire to get in a by-line cross for 'Livo' to ram the ball home, and

then the former England man ran on to David Titterton's pass to score with a left footer.

"It was nice to get on the scoresheet," he smiled. "Maybe I'll ge a few more now the ice is broken."

But he was quick to point out that Steve Livingstone could have had a hat-trick against Huddersfield, "He's a good player. He's a big, strong lad and he's a good finisher. He's good in the air and he's always in the box. He'll score a lot of goals."

Cyrille meanwhile has found himself on the substitutes' bench in the first four matches of the season. In three of those against Manchester Utd. Nottingham Forest and Aston Villa he was sent into the action.

He has scored 54 goals since he became a Sky Blues player in 1984 - he'd love to score a few more.

CYRILLE'S CAREER STATISTICS:

WBA	Lge 237	Gls 82	LC 25	GIs 12	FA 23	GIs 8	Others	Total 285	GIs 102
1985-86									
1986-87									
1987-88	30(1)								
1988-89									
	32(2)								
								-(3)	
	439 (7)								

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CLUB **HISTORY**

1874. Elected to League 1888 Stadium: Burnden Park Capacity: 29,000 Record attendance:

69,912 v Manchester City (FA Cup)

February 1933 Pitch: 113 vds x 76 vds

Manager: Phil Neal Club nickname: 'The Trotters'

Record league victory: 8-0 v Barnsley, Division 2,

October 1934 Record cup victory:

13-0 v Sheffield Utd (FA) February

Record defeat:

0-7 v Manchester City, Division 1, March 1936

Highest league scorer in a season: Joe Smith, 38, Division 1, 1920-21

Most league goals: Nat Lofthouse, 225, 1946-61

Most capped player: Nat Lofthouse, 33, England Most league appearances:

Eddie Hopkinson, 519, 1956-70 Record transfer fee paid:

£350,000 to WBA for Len Cantello, May 1979

Record transfer fee received: £340,000 from Birmingham City for

Neil Whatmore, August 1981 Honours:

Division 2 Champions - 1908-09, 1977-78

Division 3 Champions - 1972-73 FA Cup winners - 1923, 1926, 1929,

Sherpa Van Trophy - 1989 **Highest position in Division One:** Third 1891, 1920-21, 1924-25



Steve Thompson

Welcome to . . .

BOLTON WANDERERS



Tony Philliskirk

Bolton Wanderers were one of the twelve founder members of the Football League and in five years time will be celebrating one hundred years of football at Burnden Park.

The club is steeped in football folklore. They were first winners of the FA Cup following its move to Wembley Stadium in 1923. That was the famous match of the solitary policeman on the white horse whose job it was to control a crowd of 200,000 inside the stadium. It was estimated that another 500,000 were locked outside the ground.

Wanderers, led by the legendary Nat Lofthouse, also won the Cup in 1958 when they beat the Munich ravaged Manchester Utd by 2-0.

But fortunes changed for the great old club and they plunged into Division Four for the first time in their history in 1987 but climbed out again twelve months later. They returned to Wembley twice in the last four years, as losing finalists in the Freight Rover Trophy in 1986 and as winners of the newly named Sherpa Van Trophy last year.

Mark Came: Defender. Born: Exeter

Joined the Wanderers from non-league Winsford United in 1984. Became a regular twelve months later but a broken leg in 1988 kept him out of the game for a long period. Forced his way back into the team last season and popped up with some important goals in the marathon cup tie against Swindon Town.

Julian Darby: Midfield. Born: Bolton
A product of the clubs youth policy who has proved to be a versatile member of the squad since making his debut in 1986. Over 150 appearances for his home town club and was an ever-present last term in which he scored 12

Steve Thompson: Midfield. Born: Oldham

The clubs longest serving professional having made his debut in November 1982. Came through the youth ranks and has since played over 300 games in three divisions of the football league.

Stuart Storer: Midfield/forward

Born: Harborough Joined Bolton in a £25,000 deal from Everton in January 1988 after a loan spell. Began his career with Mansfield Town before moving to Birmingham City and then on to Goodison Park

Gary Henshaw: Midfield. Born: Leeds

Moved to Burnden from his only other league club, Grimsby Town, in July 1987. He failed to command a regular place last term and spent some time out on loan with Rochdale.

Robbie Savage: Midfield. Born: Liverpool
Missed most of last season through injury. First
appeared in the football league in a loan period
with Wrexham from his first club Liverpool. Since played with Stoke City, Bournemouth and Bradford City from whom he joined Bolton in September

Paul Comstive: Midfield. Born: Southport Joined the Wanderers in September 1989 from Burnley after making 82 appearances for the Turf Moor club. Began with Blackburn Rovers and his other clubs include Rochdale (loan) Wigan Athletic and Wrexham



David Burke



Back row: Paul Hughes, Barry Cowdrill, Mark Came, Mark Winstanley, Paul Comstive, Alan Stubbs, Nicky Spooner, Robbie

Middle row: Phil Neal (Manager), Julian Darby, Gary Henshaw, Dean Crombie, Dave Felgate, Kevin Rose, Mike Jeffrey, Gary Brown, Neil Fisher, Mick Brown (Coach).

Front row: Ewan Simpson (Physiotherapist), David Reeves, Phil Brown, Tony Philliskirk, Stuart Storer, Steve Thompson, David Burke, Darren Oliver, Scott Green, Steve Carroll (Youth Team Coach).

Scott Green: Midfield. Born: Walsall

A £50,000 fee secured the 20 year old from Derby County last March. He failed to appear in the first team at the Baseball Ground but forced his way into the Bolton side in the latter stages of the

David Reeves: Forward. Born: Birkenhead A tribunal set his fee at £80,000 when he moved to the Wanderers from Sheffield Wednesday last summer. Joined Wednesday from non-league football and subsequently got his first taste of league football in loan spells with Scunthorpe and Burnley

David Felgate: Goalkeeper Born: Blaenau Ffestiniog

Commenced his career with the Wanderers but failed to make a league appearance before being sold to Lincoln City for a £25,000 fee. Whilst at Sincil Bank he won his only Welsh international cap and in February 1987 returned to Bolton from Grimsby Town for £15,000.

Kevin Rose: Goalkeeper. Born: Evesham

Began with non-league Ledbury Town from where he moved to Lincoln City. He returned to nonleague without having played for City but his next move saw him make 268 league appearances for Hereford United. Came to Burnden Park for £20,000 in July 1989



Stuart Storer

Phil Brown: Full back. Born: South Shields

Club captain who has been an everpresent in the side for the past two seasons since his £17,000 move from Halifax Town. He made 135 league appearances for the Yorkshire club after playing over 200 times for his first club Hartlepool United.

Paul Hughes: Full back. Born: Manchester
Came through the Wanderers youth policy to
make his league debut during the fourth division
promotion winning season of 1987/88. For the last two seasons he has been dogged with injury problems that has kept his appearances to a minimum.

Barry Cowdrill: Full back/midfield Born: Birmingham

Began his league career with West Bromwich Albion who secured his services from Sutton Coldfield Town. He moved to Burnden two seasons ago after 131 games for Albion and was last

seasons player of the year.

David Burke: Full back. Born: Winsford

In his second spell with Bolton, his first league club, after a £60,000 move from Crystal Palace during the close season. A former England youth international he left Burnden in 1981 to join Huddersfield and made over 200 appearances for them before moving to Selhurst Park in 1987. **Dean Crombie: Defender. Born: Lincoln**

An experienced player who commenced his league career with his home town club. In 1978 he moved to Grimsby Town and made over 350 appearances before coming to Burnden in 1987. Can play in either the left back position or in central defence. Mark Winstanley: Defender. Born: St. Helens

A 'home grown' player who made his debut in 1986. Became a regular in the side two years later and has now over 100 appearances to his credit. His consistent performances have been a feature that have attracted the attention of some first division clubs

Tony Philliskirk: Forward. Born: Sunderland Last season's leading goalscorer after his close season £50,000 move to Burnden from Preston North End. Began his career with Sheffield United, making 80 appearances, before moving to Oldham in July 1988 where he spent only seven months.

Mike Jeffrey: Forward. Born: Liverpool Made his debut as a 17 year old in March 1989 but failed to hold down a regular spot in the side. Was last seasons leading scorer for the reserves. Ian Stevens: Forward. Born: Malta

Spent the summer playing in Finland but has still to force his way into the team after joining the club in 1987. Began his career at Preston before spending a short time with Stockport County.

STAR **PROFILE**



PHIL NEAL

Bolton's manager is currently one of the longest-serving in Division Three as he is just three months short of five years in the job. Having led them out of Division Four he is now looking to earn them a Second Division place whilst a bit of cup glory would not come amiss either.

Whatever he is achieving as a manager his place in soccer history is already assured as a result of his illustrious playing career. This began as a 17 year old with Northampton in 1968 and he spent six seasons with them in Division Four, playing in 186 games as a defender and showing a penchant for goalscoring by netting 26 times during this period.

His career really took off, however, when he moved to Liverpool for just £65,000 in November 1974, Bob Paisley was manager then and it didn't take Phil long to win the number two shirt at Anfield. Incredibly between 1975 and 1985 he missed only one league game in ten seasons. In his second season he took over from Kevin Keegan as the Liverpool penalty king and soon was netting twice from the spot against Arsenal. He also got the clincher in the 1977 European Cup final from the spot and was again on the mark in the 1984 penalty shot-out against AS Roma. He played in fact a total of four European Cup finals and captained Liverpool in two of them.

He also won a total of 50 England caps between 1975 and 1983. While still holding his own at First Division level he moved to Bolton as player-manager in December 1985 and played regularly in his first two seasons with them. He played a handful of games in their 1987/88 Fourth Division promotion season and then in 1988/89 put himself back in the side to help avert a relegation threat.

All in all his career tally amounted to 915 league and cup games and 94 goals, a remarkable tally for a defender who specialised in penalties.



CLUBLINK BRIAN BORROWS

Currently displaying some of his best form in our defence. Brian Borrows will be one of the men that the travelling Bolton fans look out for tonight as he had two good seasons with them before moving to us. It was however with Everton that this native of Liverpool began his career. Born there in 1960, he graduated via the junior ranks to make his first team debut in the Everton side in a First Division game against Stoke in February 1982. This was goalless and so, oddly enough, were his next two games against West Brom and West Ham. For a time he kept Gary Stevens out of the side and he had played 27 First Division games by the time he moved to Bolton in March 1983 and the £10,000 fee proved a rare

He made his debut in the home game against Leeds and played in



the last nine games of that season as Bolton slid towards Division Three. There he missed only two more games in nearly two seasons before coming to us for £80,000 in June 1985. By then he had played in 110 games for Wanderers and he went straight into our First Division team, making his debut in the opening game of 1985/86 against Manchester City and missing only one game that season.

His first goal for us was a penalty against West Ham in January 1987 in a season in which injury robbed him of a place in the FA Cup final against Spurs. He was an everpresent in 1988/89 and last season he missed only the final game against Liverpool. At the start of this season his tally was 230 league and cup games for us and three goals.



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The Football Trust 1990 has been created to help the game at all levels and to assist clubs meet the requirements of Lord Justice Taylor's Final Report.

Safety and comfort for all spectators is the primary objective and substantial funds have been made available for the provision of seating at Football League grounds. At the same time the Trust's commitment to family and community initiatives will continue with the provision of more family enclosures, better toilet facilities, covered accommodation, artificial pitches for local use and the development of women's and junior football particularly through community programmes, plus a wide range of policing and crowd control measures.

Each year The Trust expects to receive £20 million from the reduction in Pool Betting Duty plus the £10 million continuing contribution from the Spotting-the-Ball competition organised by Little-woods, Vernons and Zetters. This money will be invested in projects which benefit football throughout the United Kingdom.

PAST

PERFORMANCE

This is the first match between the clubs in this Cup competition, although we met Wanderers in the Third Round of the FA Cup here in January 1987. Sky Blues won that day by 3-0 and went on to win the FA Cup.

It was a bitterly cold afternoon but Sky Blues warmed their supporters with three first half goals.

Temperatures of between minus six degrees and freezing point made the pitch increasingly treacherous. Greg Downs said afterwards: "We only did what was necessary in the second half. The pitch became like a sheet of ice in places and we decided on safety first."

Downs, Cyrille Regis and Dave Bennett got the goals which set Sky Blues on the road to Wembley.



Dave Bennett

The clubs only other Cup clash was in 1950 also in the FA Cup when Wanderers were in the First Division. They won that match 2-1.

Their last appearance here in a League match was in September 1979 when Sky Blues won 3-1. The teams drew 1-1 at Burnden Park the following April. Wanderers were relegated two weeks later.

First Division matches v Bolton

1979-80 Coventry 3 (Wallace 2, Powell pen)
Bolton 1
Bolton 1 Coventry 1 (Thompson)
1978-79 Coventry 2 (Wallace, Powell pen)
Bolton 2

Bolton 0 Coventry 0 League record v Bolton

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NOTICEBOARD

WEST TERRACE . . .

Following consultation with the police and the local authority the club is pleased to announce that the West Terrace is no longer restricted to members only. The football club realises that our supporters were not keen to join a membership scheme and so the restriction is lifted with immediate effect. This area is partially covered and it is hoped it will once again be a favourite spot for our fans to recreate the sort of atmosphere which lifted Sky Blue teams in the past.

SKY BLUE DIARY

Thursday September 27 City Reserves v Sheffield Utd at Bramall Lane

Saturday September 29 Sky Blues v QPR at Highfield Road Tuesday October 2 City Reserves v Sheffield Wednesday at Highfield Road 7pm

Saturday October 6 Sky Blues v Manchester City at Maine Road

Tuesday October 9 Rumbelows Cup, 2nd Round, 2nd Leg, Sky Blues v Bolton Wanderers at Burnden Park

NEXT VISITORS

Our next visitors to Highfield Road on Saturday 29th September ko 3.00pm

QUEENS PARK RANGERS

Rangers will be coming to Highfield Road hoping to gain only their third League win here. Last season's League matches both ended 1-1 and Sky Blues put out QPR in the Littlewoods Cup at Loftus Road. Rangers have an experienced squad with new England international Paul Parker and former internationals Ray Wilkins and Kenny Sansom, and are managed by former England coach Don Howe.

TONIGHT'S MASCOTS



Name: Stuart Insley Age: 11 From: Kenilworth School Attended: Warwick School Favourite Player: Kevin Gallacher



Name: Jamie Crosby Age: 12 From: Finham, Coventry School Attended: Finham Park Favourite Player: Kevin Gallacher

Teamsheet

COVENTRY CITY

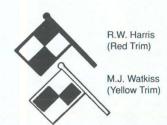
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DAVID SPEEDIE	9	DAVID REEVES
KEVIN DRINKELL	10	TONY PHILLISKIRK
DAVID SMITH	11	JULIAN DARBY

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Tonight's referee - JOHN DEAKIN

John, from Llantwit Major, South Glamorgan is a Warrant Officer in the RAF. He is married with two sons. He has several interests including running, classical music and watching cricket. He was appointed to the Football League List in 1980-81 and refereed last seasons Welsh Cup Final.



Scorecheck

RUMBELOWS CUP

A	Aston Villa v Barnsley	
B	Charlton Athletic v Leyton Orient	
C	Halifax v Manchester Utd	
D	Leicester City v Leeds Utd	
E	Norwich City v Watford	
F	Notts Forest v Burnley	
G	QPR v Peterborough Utd	
H	Sheffield Wednesday v Brentford	
1	Torquay Utd v Manchester City	
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